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Tax Rulings and Other Measures Similar in Nature or Effect
The Chair

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Mr Uwe CORSEPIUS
Secretary-General
Council of the European Union
Rue de la Loi 175
1049 Brussels

Subject: Request for information

Dear Mr Corsepius,

The European Parliament Special Committee on Tax Rulings (TAXE), which I chair, has been given six months to complete its work and fulfil its mandate (see annex). In order to achieve this, the TAXE Committee would need access to relevant documents from the European Commission, the Council and from the Member States.

Consequently, I would be grateful if you could provide the TAXE Committee Secretariat (taxe-secretariat@europarl.europa.eu) with the following information:

- Meeting documents and minutes of the ECOFIN meetings when dealing with corporate taxation, tax avoidance, unfair tax practices and BEPS (since 1.1.1991).
- All documents, including minutes of meetings of the following Council working parties:
 - Economic and Financial Committee (since 1.1.1991), in cases where the Committee has discussed corporate taxation, tax avoidance, unfair tax practices and BEPS);
 - Economic Policy Committee (since 1.1.01991), in cases where the Committee has discussed corporate taxation, tax avoidance, unfair tax practices and BEPS);
 - Working Party on Tax Questions (since 1.1.1991);
 - Code of Conduct Group on Business Taxation (including all room documents).

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I am looking forward to a close collaboration and an intensive dialogue with you and the relevant Council services on this important matter.

It would be much appreciated if the requested documents that are available at this stage could be provided by 31 May 2015, given the tight timetable of the activities of the TAXE special committee.

For any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the TAXE Secretariat, contact persons Mr Risto Nieminen — <u>risto.nieminen@europarl.europa.eu</u>, 0032-2-2834968 or Mr Massimo Palumbo — <u>massimo.palumbo@ep.europa.eu</u>, 0032-2-2832360.

Please be assured of my warmest thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Alain Lamassoure